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General arguments.

Applicants agree with Examiner on claims 2 - 4;  
many methods of attachments will allow for  
writing instrument to rotate without reeling  
and entangling the tether while writing.  
Applicants agree with Examiner that attachment  
of tether to writing instrument is not  
critical and therefore will not attempt to  
distinguish against prior art of  
Stewart (2502680)

However, by the above amendment, applicants have  
amended remaining Claim 1 more particularly  
and distinctly so as to overcome the Office  
Action objections and rejections. The method  
of securing instrument AND tether is different  
and unique in comparison to Treadway(1577272)  
Shakkit(1367433), Holywell(1462108) and  
Ziporyn(1322862). Although patents Treadway,  
Shakkit, Holywell, and Ziporyn may seem  
similar, they are too obtrusive to be worn by  
students, teachers and by people in modern  
society. Failing to create an invention that  
is highly useful yet still convenient to wear  
in common settings and everyday workplaces  
defeats their utility. Applicants' invention  
is useful and omits all the inconvenient  
mechanical parts with creative use of simple,

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comfortable, attractive and inexpensive parts and materials. Applicants' invention's unique and simple design surpasses prior art as further explained below.

**Failure of Prior Art But Success with New Invention**

Prior art Treadway, Ziporyn, Shackitt and Holywell have failed to make a wristband that is streamlined and convenient for use by people in modern societies. Although the cited patents provide some utility, they are obtrusive, cumbersome, heavy and non-practical for use in many places where applicants' invention will function much more conveniently, comfortably, and fashionably. The applicants' invention can be relatively inexpensive and simple to manufacture, whereas the cited prior art is not cost-effective for production.

**Failed Appreciation**

Prior art Treadway failed to demonstrate creative restraint of the tether without the use of heavy, obtrusive and inconvenient parts. Shakkitt and Ziporyn both failed to produce a method of securing tether when not in use by the wearer.

**Inoperative References**

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